

A day in the life...

Harrison Hill School of Inquiry & Performing Arts is Making it Happen!



WE ARE the MSD of Lawrence Township with a growing population of over 15,500 students! Harrison Hill Elementary School of Inquiry and the Performing Arts serves students in the neighborhood but is also a magnet school that families can choose to attend.

OUR STUDENTS & FAMILIES are equally distributed among Black, White, and Hispanic families. About 88% of the 750 students are on free / reduced lunch and 25% are English Language Learners.

OUR TEACHERS support all students in and out of the classroom in order to address the whole child.

OUR PROMISING PRACTICE A day in the life....Harrison Hill leaders and teachers determined that they wanted to do more to support the whole child and family as part of their MSDLT elementary experience. After winning a United Way School Success grant, the Harmony Program was born. Free sports that don't require students to travel are offered after school so that the Harrison Hill students can feel confident and be competitive to play sports in middle school.

After school offerings:

- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Volleyball
- Cooking
- Art
- Music
- Zumba

Students attend classes in the evening with their parents, grandparents, and other family members. This strategy has already resulted in more former Harrison Hill students making the middle school teams.

OUR STEPS include getting start up money from a grant. We collaborated with the middle school and high school coaches who allowed the teams to be led by high school students and future coaches! The middle and high school coaches are finding their future stars!

IN OUR OWN WORDS

"The Harmony Program has helped each of us bond in ways we normally don't. It has opened us up to new things and activities."

"Family Engagement Night is full of opportunities that my children would never have if we did not attend. My kids have taken Karate, Improv, Art, and Girl Scouts. We even tried out Zumba!! This session they are taking STEM Scouts."



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